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SUBJ: ANALYSIS OF FOOD NEEDS OF AFGHAN REFUGEES

REFS: (A) STATE 25494, (B) MOGADISHU 291

1. REF (B) NOT YET RECEIVED HERE. WFP PAPER GIVING FOOD REQUIREMENTS FOR 500,000 REFUGEES, STILL THE WORKING ESTIMATE, POUNCHED TO NEA/PAB JANUARY 23. RELEVANT PORTIONS OF PAPER REPEATED BELOW.

*THE REQUIREMENT OF FOOD COMMODITIES FOR 500,000 REFUGEES IS AS FOLLOWS:

PER DAY	PER 60 DAYS	
WHEAT	400 GRAMS X 500,000	EQUALS 200 TONS EQUALS 12,000 TONS
PULSES	40 GRAMS X 500,000	EQUALS 20 TONS EQUALS 1,200 TONS
DSM	30 GRAMS X 500,000	EQUALS 15 TONS EQUALS 900 TONS
EDIBLE OIL OR BUTTER OIL	30 GRAMS X 500,000	EQUALS 15 TONS EQUALS 900 TONS

EVERY INCREASE OF 25,000 REFUGEES WILL REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL 10 TONS OF WHEAT, 1 TON OF PULSES, 750 KILOS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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DSM AND 750 KILOS OF EDIBLE OIL PER DAY. GOVERNMENT

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SOURCES ESTIMATE THAT BY THE MONTH OF APRIL 1980 THE REFUGEE POPULATION IN PAKISTAN WILL HAVE INCREASED TO 1 MILLION. IF BILATERAL OR OTHER MULTILATERAL DONORS CAN PROVIDE FOOD COMMODITIES OTHER THAN THE ONES LISTED ABOVE, THE COMMODITIES DESIRED WOULD BE SUGAR AND TEA. THE QUANTITIES FOR 500,000 REFUGEES WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

PER DAY	PER 60 DAYS	
SUGAR 20 GRAMS / 500,000	EQUALS 10 TONS	EQUALS 600 TONS
TEA 3 GRAMS X 500,000	EQUALS 1.5 TONS	EQUALS 90 TONS

EVERY ADDITIONAL 25,000 REFUGEES WOULD NEED 500 KILOS OF SUGAR AND 75 KILOS OF TEA PER DAY.

2. IN DISCUSSION WITH WFP IT APPEARS THAT THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, PARTICULARLY BELOW THE PROVINCIAL LEVEL, IS CONFUSED AND HAPHAZARD. IT IS DIFFICULT TO SAY JUST HOW MUCH FOOD IS ACTUALLY GETTING TO THE REFUGEES. THE WFP IS PRESSING THE GOP TO COME UP WITH A BETTER ACCOUNTING ON FOOD DISTRIBUTION. ONE PROBLEM, WHICH WE WILL BE DISCUSSING WITH AMBASSADOR LOY, IS THAT IT APPEARS THAT WHILE FOOD IS BEING DISTRIBUTED AS FAR AS THE DISTRICT CENTERS, MUCH OF IT IS NOT GETTING TO THE REFUGEE CAMPS THEMSELVES AND IS PILING UP IN WAREHOUSES.
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